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1. IN PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE VI (B) OF THE U.S. DRAFT PNE TEXT, THE WORD "GEOGRAPHICAL" SHOULD BE REPLACED BY THE WORD "GEOPHYSICAL".
2. THERE FOLLOW A NUMBER OF TEXTUAL CHANGES TO U.S. DRAFT PNE TREATY AND PROTOCOLS THAT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO U.S.

(A) TREATY ARTICLE II (C) CAN BE REWORDED TO READ:

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" 'GROUP OF EXPLOSIONS' MEANS TWO OR MORE EXPLOSIONS FOR

WHICH THE DISTANCE SEPARATING EACH EXPLOSIVE FROM ANY OTHER EXPLOSIVE, MEASURED FROM THE POINT OF EMPLACEMENT OF EACH EXPLOSIVE, IS 40 KILOMETERS OR LESS AND THE TIME INTERVAL BETWEEN INDIVIDUAL EXPLOSIONS IS 5 SECONDS OR LESS." IN CONJUNCTION WITH USE OF THIS DEFINITION, THE WORDS "SUBSTANTIALLY SIMULTANEOUS" CAN BE DELETED IN TREATY ARTICLE III (C); PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE I (A) AND ARTICLE III, PARA 2 (B); PROTOCOL II, PREAMBLE AND ARTICLES I AND II.

(B) TREATY ARTICLE IV: THE LAST PART CAN BE REWORDED TO READ: "EXCEPT EXPLOSIONS CONSTITUTING PEACEFUL ENGINEERING APPLICATIONS WHICH FOR TECHNICAL REASONS CANNOT BE ACCOMPLISHED AT SUCH TEST SITES."

(C) TREATY ARTICLE VII, PARA. 1 (E), PHRASE "AS APPROPRIATE" CAN BE DELETED ALTOGETHER.

(D) TREATY ARTICLE IX, PARA 1. THE PHRASE "IN NO EVENT" CAN BE REPLACED BY "UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES".

(E) PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE III, PARA. 1 (D). THE PHRASE "TO THE NEAREST SECOND" CAN BE REWORDED TO READ "WITH A PRECISION OF ONE SECOND". THE PHRASE "TO THE NEAREST SECOND OF LATITUDE" CAN BE CHANGED TO READ "WITH A PRECISION OF ONE SECOND OF LATITUDE" IN PARA. 1 (D), AND SIMILAR CHANGES CAN BE MADE IN PARA. 2(A) (THREE TIMES), PARA. 4(A) AND (B).

(F) PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE III, PARA 2(B). THE PARENTHETICAL EXPRESSION CAN BE MOVED TO THE END OF THE SENTENCE.

(G) PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE III, PARA 3(A). THE PHRASE BEGINNING "THE RELATIONSHIP OF EACH EMPLACEMENT POINT..." CAN BE REPLACED BY THE FOLLOWING PHRASE: "THE POSITION OF EACH EMPLACEMENT POINT RELATIVE TO NEARBY GEOLOGICAL AND OTHER FEATURES WHICH INFLUENCED THE DESIGN OF THE EVENT". (REWORDING TENTATIVELY AGREED TO BY DELEGATION WITH SOVIET DELEGATION -- "EMPLACEMENT POINT AND, REPEAT AND, NEARBY..." -- WOULD CHANGE SUBSTANTIVE MEANING OF PHRASE.)

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(H) PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE III, PARA 4(A). THE PARENTHETICAL PHRASE CAN BE MOVED BEHIND THE PHRASE "OF AN EVENT".

(I) PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE III, PARA 4 (B). THE WORD "SEPARATION" CAN BE REPLACED BY THE PHRASE "THE DISTANCE".

(J) PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE VI (A). THE PHRASE "IN CONSONANCE WITH" CAN BE REPLACED BY ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PHRASES: "IN ACCORDANCE WITH"; "IN CONFORMITY WITH"; OR "CONSISTENT WITH".

(K) PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE VI, (D), CAN BE REWORDED TO READ: "CONFIRMATION OF THE POSITION OF EACH EMPLACEMENT POINT RELATIVE TO NEARBY GEOLOGICAL AND OTHER FEATURES WHICH INFLUENCED THE DESIGN OF THE EVENT."

(L) PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE VII, PARA 2. THE WORD "DEFINED" CAN BE REPLACED BY THE WORD "CIRCUMSCRIBED".

(M) PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE VII, PARA 2 (A). THE END OF THE PARAGRAPH CAN BE REWORDED TO READ "... UNTIL SUCH TIME AS ALL PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN EVACUATED FROM THE SITE OF THE EVENT IN PREPARATION FOR DETONATION OF EXPLOSIVES, AND".

(N) PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE VII, PARA 3, CAN BE REWORDED TO READ: "DESIGNATED PERSONNEL SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO RE-ENTER THE EVACUATED SITE AT THE SAME TIME AS PERSONNEL OF THE HOST PARTY."

(O) PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE XIII, PARA 2. THE PHRASE "OR INJURY TO PERSONS INCLUDING DEATH, EXCEPT LOSS, DAMAGE OR INJURY SUSTAINED BY ANY DESIGNATED PERSONNEL" CAN BE REPLACED BY THE PHRASE "PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH, EXCEPT LOSS, DAMAGE, PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH SUSTAINED BY ANY DESIGNATED PERSONNEL".

(P) PROTOCOL II, ARTICLE II, PARA 4(C) CAN BE REWORDED TO READ: "NOT LATER THAN 90 DAYS BEFORE THE EVENT, THE HOST PARTY SHALL PROVIDE TO THE OTHER PARTY A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTERNAL CONFIGURATION OF THE CANISTER (AND ITS ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT) CONTAINING THE EXPLOSIVE WHICH IS TO BE USED FOR THE EMPLACEMENT OF THE EXPLOSIVE AND TO WHICH THE ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH 3 WILL BE ATTACHED. THE HOST PARTY SHALL ALSO PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION OF MATERIALS, INCLUDING THEIR DENSITIES, TO BE USED TO STEM EACH EMPLACEMENT HOLE;"

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(Q) PROTOCOL II, ARTICLE II, PARA 5. THE WORD "PORTIONS" CAN BE REPLACED BY THE WORD "COMPONENTS", AND THE WORD "PRINTED" CAN BE REPLACED BY THE WORD "WRITTEN".

(R) PROTOCOL II, ARTICLE II, PARA 8, CAN BE REWORDED TO READ: "...AT ANY TRANSVERSE SECTION AN AGGREGATE CROSS-SECTIONAL AREA EXCEEDING TEN SQUARE CENTIMETERS,...".

3. CHANGE PROPOSED BY SOVIETS RELATING TO THE SUPPLY OF YIELD VERIFICATION EQUIPMENT BY THE HOST PARTY IN PROTOCOL II, ARTICLE II, PARA 3, IS UNDER FURTHER REVIEW IN WASHINGTON. WHILE STRESSING IMPORTANCE OF UNRESTRICTED ACCESS, DELEGATION SHOULD SEEK CLARIFICATION OF WHAT SOVIETS HAVE IN MIND IN PROPOSING TO RESTRICT ACCESS WITHIN THE 10 KM RADIUS CIRCLES SPECIFIED IN PROTOCOL I, ARTICLE VII, PARA 2.

4. USE OF THE WORD "EVENT" CONTINUES TO APPEAR MOST PRACTICAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE TERM IN PNE TEXT. ROBINSON

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